Lack of Sanitary Conditions Around Pragati Maidan

2970. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is a lack of sanitary conditions and public conveniences outside the Pragati Maidan;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by the civic bodies in this direction; and

(c) if so, what other remedial steps Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The Municipal Corporation of Delhi and New Delhi Municipal Committee have reported that there are no insanitary conditions in the areas in their jurisdiction outside Pragiti Maidan. Public conveniences have been provided in the vicivinity of Pragati Maidan and the area is regularly cleaned.

पानी की टंकियों की सफाई

2971. **मौलाना ओबैदुल्ला खान आज़मी**: क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली जल आपूर्ति तथा मल निपटान उपक्रम ने जन साधारण को अपनी पानी की टंकियों की समय-समय पर सफाई करने की सलाह दी है और उन टंकियों को तत्काल साफ करने की भी सलाह दी है जिन्हें पिछले 3 महीनों से साफ नहीं किया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो दिल्ली में ऐसी सरकारी कालोनियों के नाम क्या-क्या हैं जहां पर केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग ने पानी की टंकियों की सफाई नहीं की है और इसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग ने पानी की टंकियों की सफाई करने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की है और इस संबंध में कितनी प्रगति हुई है; और

(घ) ताल कटोरा ताल की विनिर्दिष्ट समय सीमा के भीतर सफाई कराये जाने को सुनिश्चित करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाये गए है?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० अरुणाचलम): (क) जी, हां।

(ख) और (ग) केन्द्रीय लोक निर्माण विभाग की सरकारी कालोनियों में पानी की टंकियों की नियमित रूप से सफाई की जा रही है।

(घ) "एशियाड" 82 के तालकटोरा तरणताल का लैक्स में तीन तरणताल हैं। तीन तालों में से "गर्म ताल" नामक ताल ढका हुआ तरणताल है और दो खुले ताल है। ये दो खुले ताल जाड़ों में अर्थात अक्तूबर से मार्च तक तैरने के उपयोग में नहीं लाये जाते हैं। "गर्मताल" का उपयोग जाड़ों में किया जाता है और ताल के पानी को गर्म भी किया जाता है। यह ताल नियमित रूप से साफ किया जा रहा है।

Supply and Demand Of Drinking Water In Delhi

2972. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a big gap between present supply and demand of drinking water in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Water and Power Consultancy Service has been given a contract to investigate the possibility of bringing water from the Reanuka dam in Himachal State;

(d) if so, the details thereof and whether the Renuka dam has been completed, and

(e) whether any other source of water supply to Delhi is being assessed and investigated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) The Delhi water Supply & Sewage Disposal Undertaking reports that considering the demand at the rate of 225 L.P.C.D. and the available supply, there is a gap of 570 M.L.D. in Delhi.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) 0.37 MAF (1253 MLD) of water from Renuka Dam has been earmarked for Delhi's use, int he storage of Renuka Dam. A sum of Rs. 70 lakhs has been paid so far to Himachal Pradesh Electricity Board by Delhi Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Undertaking. Work of investigation of carrier channel from Renuka Dam to Delhi has been awarded to M/s. WAPCOS (Water and Power Consultancy Services) at a total cost of Rs. 9.75 lakhs. The work of construction of Dam is likely to be taken in hand by Himachal Pradesh Government during 1993-94, subject to availability of funds.

(e) It is also being planned to get water from Tehri Dam and Kishau Dam. The Government of National Capital Territory and M.C.D. are also discussing with neighbouring states for procurement of additional quantum of water for supply in Delhi.

Shortage Of Bricks In The Country

2973. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Housing Policy and other activities in the construction sector have received major set back due to shortage of bricks in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have contemplated any step to over come the shortage of bricks;

(d) whether Government propose to set up any brick manufacturing unit; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) (a) and (b) The Eighth Five Year Plan document has recognised that the scarcity of conventional building materials like cement bricks and steel and the high energy intensity of modern construction activity have pushed up construction cost.

(c) To overcome these difficulties the Eighth Five Year Plan document has outlined one of its thrust areas as promotion of large scale production of building materials based on industrial and agricultural wastes through an appropriate incentive structure and by achieving target utilisation of wastes like flyash, phosphogypsum, agricultural residues and natural fibres; and also promotion of cost effective industralised construction system.

(d) and (e) The National housing Policy envisages Government's role mainly as that of a facilitator rather than a builder. The agencies under the Govt. have formulated apporpriate Action Plan for augmenting supply of bricks by encouraging setting up of brick manufacturing units in the private sector based on flyash and other waste as raw materials in the country. Excise concessions and other fiscal inventives have been given by the Govt. for using these materials for manufacturing building materials components including bricks.

Enquiry Committee Report on M/s. Skippers Towers Private Limited

2974. DR. ISHWAR CHANDRA GUPTA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the 'Skipper ordered to wind up one firm;

(b) whether the Committee consisting of two retired judges to probe irregularities committed by M/s. Skippers Towers Private Limited in the sale of